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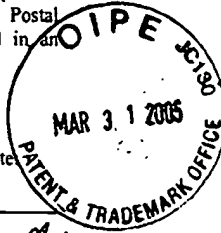
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Serial No.: 10/710,624) Art Unit: 2859
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Fulton:

The following is in response to the Final Office Action, which was mailed on March 3, 2005. Please find enclosed an RCE Transmittal and four (4) Terminal Disclaimers to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection over prior patents. A check in the amount of \$1510 is enclosed to cover the \$790 RCE filing fee and each of the \$180 Terminal Disclaimer filing fees. This response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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